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SUBJECT: NORTH KOREAN DESIRE TO PASS PROPOSAL FOR PEACE  
TREATY TO US CONGRESS VIA ROMANIANS

REF: BUCHAREST 1370

1. ON APRIL 4 NORTH KOREAN OBSERVER MISSION TO UN REQUESTED MEETING WITH AMB. SCALI TO DISCUSS DELIVERY OF THEIR RECENT PROPOSAL. APRIL 9 THEY WERE INFORMED AT WORKING LEVEL THAT AMB. WOULD NOT MEET THEM AND USUN WOULD NOT ACCEPT PROPOSAL FOR TRANSMISSION. IN MEANTIME, ON APRIL 5 HEAD OF NK OBSERVER MISSION HELD PRESS CONFERENCE TO DISTRIBUTE COPIES OF PROPOSAL'S TEXT AND IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION SAID UN NOT PROPER FORUM FOR DISCUSSION WITH US.

2. IN VIEW OF CONCURRENT APPROACH TO ROMANIANS IT IS NOT CLEAR WHETHER REQUEST BY NK IN NEW YORK ACTUALLY REPRESENTED ATTEMPT TO DELIVER PROPOSAL TO USUN OR WAS  
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SIMPLY AN ATTEMPT TO ARRANGE MEETING AT AMBASSADOR LEVEL. IN ANY CASE, YOU MAY INFORM MACOVESCU THAT WE BELIEVE WE ARE FAMILIAR WITH CONTENT OF LETTER FROM PYONGYANG BROADCASTS. WHEN ASKED FOR COMMENT DEPT SPOKESMAN STATED HE WAS AWARE OF LETTER AND REPEATED OUR BELIEF THAT BASIC ISSUES OF KOREAN PROBLEM MUST BE RESOLVED BY KOREAN PARTIES THEMSELVES, A POSITION REFLECTED IN UNGA CONSENSUS RESOLUTION LAST YEAR WHICH NOTED WITH APPROVAL NORTH/SOUTH

DIALOGUE AND URGED THE TWO PARTIES TO CONTINUE. YOU MAY ADD THAT SHOULD UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES ROMANIANS NEVERTHELESS WISH TO DELIVER LETTER FROM NORTH KOREAN PARLIAMENT, DEPT PREPARED, JUST AS IT WAS LAST YEAR, TO TRANSMIT SEALED LETTER FROM ROMANIAN EMBASSY TO SENATE AND HOUSE. YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR, HOWEVER, WE HAVE NO INTENTION BECOMING INVOLVED IN ANY COMMUNICATIONS WITH NORTH KOREA, AND CERTAINLY WITH REGARD TO LETTERS SUCH AS THIS WHICH ACCORDING TO BROADCAST VERSION IS COMPLETE DISTORTION US RECORD IN KOREA. YOU MAY ALSO SAY THAT THIS LETTER IN OUR MIND APPEARS CAST FOR PROPAGANDA VALUE, AND HARDLY REPRESENTS GENUINE EFFORT TOWARD RESOLVING KOREAN PROBLEM.

4. FYI: GIST OF NK PROPOSAL IS THAT PROGRESS ON UNIFICATION IS IMPOSSIBLE UNLESS FOREIGN (READ US) INFLUENCE IS WITHDRAWN. CHINESE PEOPLES ARMY VOLUNTEERS HAVE WITHDRAWN AND SINCE NK AND US (SIC) ARE ONLY SIGNATORIES OF ARMISTICE AGREEMENT REMAINING THEY MUST DIRECTLY NEGOTIATE PEACE AGREEMENT TO REPLACE ARMISTICE. AGREEMENT WOULD CONTAIN FOLLOWING POINTS: (1) MUTUAL PLEDGE NOT TO INVADE OTHER SIDE AND US PLEDGE NOT TO INTERVENE IN KOREAN AFFAIRS, (2) HALT TO ARMS SUPPLY (3) US FORCES TO BE STRIPPED OF UN COLORATION AND WITHDRAWN, AND (4) KOREA NOT TO BE USED AS MILITARY OR OPERATIONAL BASE BY FOREIGN COUNTRY. END FYI.

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